

Mrs. Davis Dead.

Mrs. Robert Davis of this city, aged about 50 years, died last Saturday evening. Burial in the Mexico cemetery Sunday afternoon religious service at the grave conducted by Rev. C. M. Aker.

Married Last Week.

Miss Eugie Parks, daughter of Mr. John R. Parks, of Fish Branch this county, and Mr. Oscar Byrd of Temple, Texas, were married last Thursday afternoon, Rev. F. M. Shoush of Mexico officiating.

Foot Cut Off.

W. E. Krutzer, an employee in the Mexico Shoe Factory, while at Maryville last Sunday morning, on a trip from Iowa, in attempting to step off of a moving train fell beneath the cars and his left foot was cut off.

Mr. Krutzer is a single man and his parents live in St. Louis.

Died Last Week.

Wednesday, Aug. 19, 1908, at 3 a. m., the Death Angel invaded the home of Mr. M. M. and Mrs. Mamie Givens and took from them their only son, J. Klough Givens.

He was a bright, quick, energetic little fellow, and his death is a severe blow, both to his parents and grandparents.

He was one year, 8 months and 28 days old and was buried in Littleby cemetery, funeral by Rev. H. I. Cobb.

Stricken With Paralysis.

Sam Evans, the tailor, suffered a stroke of paralysis of the right side last Sunday at noon. He was in a serious condition for a time but later is somewhat improved.

Mr. Evans has not been in vigorous health for some time, and the weakened condition of his system is supposed to have brought his later trouble. He is a good citizen and useful man, and the MESSAGE hopes for his early recovery.

Negro Driven to Insanity.

Centralia, Mo., Aug. 23.—While insane as the result of brooding over the loss of his property in Springfield, and the pain from wounds inflicted in the race riot there, James Cooper, a negro, dangerously injured his wife and 3 year-old son here, this afternoon. Yesterday Cooper and his family arrived here from Springfield destitute. He did not receive aid from friends here that he had expected. He will be taken to the asylum tomorrow.

Mrs. C. C. Cardwell of this city is reported very ill.

Henry Wales and son, Frank, are reported quite sick.

J. D. Boatman of Dallas, Texas, visited his parents here Sunday.

Miss Hazeltime Fry of Louisiana is the guest of Miss Gertrude Fry of this city.

Mrs. W. E. Thomas of St. Louis is visiting her parents in this city. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Blattner.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Cohoon of Cordell, Okla., have a new daughter, Nina Lee, whose arrival was celebrated Aug. 19.

Don't forget the date, Wednesday, Sept. 9th, Hale's big annual Duroc Jersey sale. Sixty head at your own price. Watch for big ad. in this paper next week.

You can get \$1.00 per bushel for your corn if you will feed it out to good hogs. The scrubby kind may not do it but good Duroc Jerseys will. Get your breeding stock at B. W. Hale's big sale, three miles south of Laddonia, on Wednesday, Sept. 9th; sixty head at your own price.

The Sunbeam says that numbers of farmers in the vicinity of Martinsburg are installing acetylene gas plants. Acetylene makes one of the best lights in the world. The following at Martinsburg have bought acetylene light plants: Rev. J. L. Haar, Henry Youngblood, Stephen Betts, Dr. T. H. Diven, T. X. Vonnard and George Meyerpeter.

Stock and Transfers.

V. T. Cox, near Centralia, sold to Tom McBride 28 hogs at \$6.75.

Dr. Paul Pritchett, formerly of Mexico, has bought a drug store in St. Louis.

S. C. Groves threshed his 30 acre oat crop recently and it yielded him 1,216 bushels of No. 2 oats.

W. C. Atkins raised 1,200 bushels of oats this season. He has the offer of 42 cents on the market with the privilege of rise.

B. R. Middleton bought 98 head of yearling mules near Centralia last week, paying about \$135 per head for the best fellows.

Hauling water for household use and for stock in High Hill District near Centralia. Corn will be a short crop in that vicinity.

D. C. Owen gets the contract for excavating for the paving of North Jefferson and West Monroe streets. His bid was \$3,000 per street.

W. C. Atkins, near Worcester, raised 500 bushels of wheat this year. He sold his surplus crop at Rush Hill the other day at 83 cents per bushel.

George Brown, southwest of Mexico, raised about 2,000 bushels of oats this season. He is selling the mixed on the market at 42 cents and the red at 43.

The two Masonic lodges of Mexico have completed payment for the building site of their proposed new temple. It will stand just east of Brown & Tinsley's grocery store.

Victor A. Gilmour, 9 miles northeast of Mexico, will have a public sale next Tuesday and will move to Pomona, Howell county. His little girl will live with her grandfather, B. C. Gilmour, at Pomona and attend school there this winter.

Why does the market continue to hover around the 7 cent mark? Simply because nearly one hundred million people in these United States of America demand bacon, ham or pork chops for breakfast, roast pork for dinner and bacon, ham or pork chops for supper. The farmer who goes out of the hog business because corn is high is very short sighted, to say the least. Now is the time to get into the hog business right by purchasing a few good sows at B. W. Hale's big Duroc Jersey sale three miles south of Laddonia, on Wednesday, Sept. 9th.

Little Alicia, daughter of Mr. Mrs. Clarence Hopkins, is quite ill.

Miss Cleo Settles has taken up school in High Hill district, near Centralia.

J. R. Browning has traded his Mexico home for a farm in Callaway county.

O. F. Ellis and family, near Skinner, are visiting J. D. Ellis and family in Oklahoma.

Doek McClish of Columbia in a violent sneeze a few days ago burst his left eyeball and he will be blind in that eye the rest of his days.

W. A. Willingham, superintendent of the County Farm, is enjoying a visit from his sister, Mrs. James Bunton, of Macon City.

Announcement was issued last week of the marriage of Mr. Herman T. Worley, of South McAlistier, Okla., formerly of Mexico, to Miss Dolly Clayton of Fulton, Mo.

In the late primary Cowherd's plurality for Governor was 11,774. Cowherd carried 34 counties and Ball 72. The cities saved Cowherd. Ball says God made the country, "but you know who made the cities!"

John R. Owen of Mexico received the prize as the oldest man on the grounds at the Modern Woodmen picnic held at Martinsburg recently. The Sunbeam says that Mr. Owen served in the Mexican war under Gen. Donatban and was Major of the Third Missouri Volunteers.

CIRCUS BOY.

Falls From a Clothes Line and Lands on Sharp Stake.

Centralia, Mo., Aug. 25.—Selecting his mother's clothesline, as a tight rope upon which to imitate the daring feats of performers he had seen while attending his first circus a few weeks ago, Donald Ross, 7 years old, this morning fell to the ground and landed upon a sharp stake.

The fleshy part of his leg was pierced through and the boy was held fast for several hours before his mother came to his rescue.

Donald's youthful mind was much impressed by some of the things he had seen at the circus and it became the one ambition of his life to perform on the tight rope. Time and again his mother warned him against the accident. The accident occurred some distance from the house and Donalds cries for help were not heard. When the dinner hour came Mrs. Ross missed her boy. She went in search of him and found him still pinned to the ground.

The lad suffered intense pain and a fever, which may prove fatal, set in. He is a son of B. T. Ross a stockman, who resides near Centralia.

Electric R. R. Co. Sued.

J. M. Wolfe, contractor on the Electric Railway, has sued the company, asking liens against the property of the road, asking \$13,264. Wolfe also sues the Northern Construction Co. for a like amount. This company was incorporated in Mexico last winter with a capital stock of \$2,000. The stockholders are:

S. L. Robinson, C. W. Gaither, W. T. Henderson, W. W. Mundy, J. D. Bates, C. C. Heizer, J. A. Botts and T. Kunkel.

L. L. Winans and the Misses Fonville attended the Chautauqua in Montgomery City last Friday.

John and W. M. Geisel of near Rush Hill and John Watson of Laddonia called on the MESSAGE yesterday. John Geisel renews for the MESSAGE.

R. J. Gullett of Roberts, Ill., was here to visit his friend O. A. Edson of the Clarkson Hotel. Mr. Gullett was "looking around," and we hope to see him become a citizen of our county soon.

Johnston, the 9 months old son of Dr. and Mrs. P. E. Coil, was seriously burnt with carbolic acid one day last week. The baby was playing with some old bottles and one of them happened to contain the burning fluid.

Jim Hickerson of Davidson, Okla., is visiting his father at Tulip. Good crops, he says, in his part of Oklahoma, but his observation was that corn is nearly a failure from Kansas City this way to the Monroe county line.

Rev. W. M. White, of the Mexico Christian church, is conducting a revival meeting at Salt River church, near Gant. V. V. Smith bought a hedge scythe and says he will try to get some work out of the preacher thru the day. Smith knows when to crack a joke.

F. J. Wilkins arrived home last week from a month's trip thru the East, buying new goods for his store—Fredendall & Wilkins. Mr. Wilkins says that "good times" are on at all the markets he visited. He thinks there is a big trade in prospect for the Mexico merchants this fall, too.

Shelby Pindall Dead.

Shelby Pindall, a former Mexico boy, died in Colorado Springs Tuesday of this week. The body will be shipped here for burial, funeral to be held at the home of his uncle, B. F. Miller, at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, conducted by Rev. J. O. Edmonston.

Deceased was a law partner of Gov. Pindall of Arkansas. He was a bright mind, an excellent citizen, and many Audrain county friends will mourn his death.

CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE.

The Republicans of the Ninth District Hold a Business Meeting.

The Ninth Congressional Republican Committee, composed of the chairmen of the county committees in the district, met in conference with R. C. Lake, Secy., and J. H. Fischer and Clarence A. Barnes members of the Republican State Committee, at the Ringo Hotel in this city last Monday.

Among those who attended the conference were O. E. Meyerseck, of Franklin county, chairman, and E. H. Ham of Montgomery Co., Secy., of the Congressional Committee.

John X. Brown, Chairman Audrain Co. Rep. Committee.

Ralph E. Head, Secy. Audrain Co. Rep. Committee.

Chauncey Shaw, Treas. Audrain Co. Rep. Committee.

J. F. Smith, Callaway Co. Rep. Committee.

H. B. Garver, Secy. Callaway Co. Rep. Committee.

Dr. S. R. McKay, Chairman Lincoln Co. Rep. Committee.

Wm. A. Querry, Sec. Callaway Co. Rep. Committee.

J. W. Gill Sec. Montgomery Co. Rep. Committee.

Wm. T. Rugg, Pike Co. Rep. Committee.

W. W. Epperson, Chairman Ralls Co. Rep. Committee.

B. W. Piper, Sec. Ralls Co. Rep. Committee.

Robert D. Silver, Chairman St. Charles Co. Rep. Committee.

E. H. Winter, chairman Warren Co. Rep. committee.

T. H. Hudeide, prosecuting attorney, Warren county.

John S. Gaston, nominee for State Senator from ninth district.

R. D. Silon, member of the legislature from St. Charles county.

In addition to the outlining and adopting of plans for the campaign the Eleventh Senatorial and Judicial Committees were organized as follows:

11TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

Chairman E. H. Ham of Montgomery City.

Sec. E. H. Winter of Warren-ton.

Treas. R. D. Silon, St. Charles.

11TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Chairman, Dr. A. L. Branstetter of Vandalia.

Sec. C. Syler of Vandalia.

Treas. Jno. X. Brown of Mexico.

Family Reunion.

The children of J. C. Johnson, near Boydsville, Callaway county, assembled at the old home last Saturday for a family reunion. Over 150 persons were present, 85 of near kin. W. H. Johnson and wife of near Mexico were present.

Besides the following from the neighborhood south of Hickory Grove church: M. B. Rodgers and family, Henry Allen and family, John Ball and family, R. L. Allen and family, Morton Mills and family, John Underwood and wife, John Mockaby and wife, John Gilbert and family Oscar Dowman and family, Luther Rodgers and wife, Judge Frank Smith of Anglemore was also there, as was T. B. Johnson of Auxvasse, and others from Columbia and Deer Park.

The day was greatly enjoyed—big eating and great social time.

Mrs. Brooks Dead.

Mrs. Mary Rebekah Brooks died last evening at 7:15 of spinal trouble. The funeral will be held tomorrow, hour not yet set. Mrs. Brooks has been ill for some time.

Three children survive her—Mrs. F. J. Wilkins, John A. Brooks and Churchill Brooks.

T. B. Ridgeway is home from Texas. Says everybody is for Bryan in Texas of course. While coming thru Kansas a poll was taken of the passengers on the Presidential question; 113 were for Taft and 127 were for Bryan. The votes were from a half dozen different States. Mr. Ridgeway thinks more and better of Texas every visit he makes down there.

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The little son of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Graham has been quite ill for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Kendall of Wagner, Ill., are visiting Judge and Mrs. S. E. Kendall here.

George Kenley, a jockey, was thrown from a horse at the Fair Grounds yesterday and was badly hurt.

Dr. and Mrs. S. C. Adams of Huntsville are visiting Dr. Adams' parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Adams, and attending the Fair.

C. E. Cook and his friend J. P. Eskridge of Parkville, Mo., made this office a pleasant social call yesterday. Mr. Eskridge has an appointment under the Government at Socorro, New Mexico.

Price Cunningham of Mexico has been appointed to visit the Christian churches of Audrain county in the interest of evangelistic work. Eld. L. H. Harbord of Vandalia has been chosen County Evangelist for the ensuing year.

Miss Virginia Yancey of this city has announced her engagement to be married to Mr. Alfred S. Hamilton of Lind, Wash., in a few months. Miss Yancey is a most accomplished and charming woman. Her intended is a prominent young business man of Lind.

Conrad Schutte has purchased property and will move to our city.

The Moberly band is furnishing fine music for the Fair this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hill and Eleanor are home from an outing at Perle Springs.

Revs. A. C. Browning, C. M. Aker, H. L. Cobb and S. P. Emmons are attending annual conference of the M. E. church, South, at Hannibal.

E. S. Wilson, former station agent for the C. & A. and Wabash roads in this city, will embark in the business of immigration land sales with headquarters at Chicago.

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